STATE OF ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
Linda L. Johnson (CRD # 4287779),) I	File No. C1000219
Respondent)	
)	

CONSENT ORDER OF REVOCATION

TO THE RESPONDENT: Linda L. Johnson

10363 Main Street Roscoe Illinois 61073

WHEREAS, Respondent Linda L. Johnson on the 13th day of September 2010 executed a certain Stipulation to Enter Consent Order of Prohibition (the "Stipulation"), which hereby is incorporated by reference herein.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation, Respondent Johnson has admitted to the jurisdiction of the Secretary of State and service of the Notice of Hearing of the Secretary of State, Securities Department, dated September _____ 2010 in this proceeding (the "Notice Of Hearing") and Respondent has consented to the entry of this Consent Order of Prohibition ("Consent Order").

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation, the Respondent Johnson acknowledged, without admitting or denying the truth thereof, that the following allegations contained in the Notice of Hearing shall be adopted as the Secretary of State's Findings of Fact.

The grounds for such proposed action are as follows:

- 1. Linda L. Johnson ("Respondent") was a registered representative of Associated Investment Services, Inc. in Illinois until February 1, 2010.
- 2. Between January 2009 and December 2009, Respondent Johnson signed customers' names on their behalf for accounts covered by Respondent Johnson.
- 3. Respondent Johnson was not pre-authorized to sign these customers' names, accordingly the signatures were forgeries.
- 4. Furthermore, Respondent Johnson forged customer signatures in order to facilitate action in their accounts. Respondent Johnson made use of the fraudulently executed documents and knowingly circulated them, without notice to either the customers or her employer.

- 5. By forging her customers' signatures, Respondent Johnson committed a fraud and a deceit upon said customers.
- 6. Section 12.F of the Act provides that it shall be a violation of the provisions of this Act for any person to engage in any transaction, practice or course of business in connection with the sale or purchase of securities which works or tends to work a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser or seller thereof.
- 7. By virtue of the foregoing, Respondent Johnson violated Section 12.F of the Act.
- 8. Pursuant to Section 8.E(1)(g) of the Act, if the Secretary of State finds that a salesperson has violated any provisions of the Act, the registration of such salesperson may be revoked.
- 9. Pursuant to Section 8.E(3) of the Act, if the Secretary of State finds that a salesperson has violated any provisions of the Act and no proceeding is pending or instituted and withdrawal becomes effective, the Secretary of State may nevertheless institute a revocation or suspension proceeding within two years one year after withdrawal became effective and enter a revocation or suspension order as of the last date on which registration was effective.
- 10. Respondent Johnson's registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois is subject to revocation, effective February 1, 2010.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation, Respondent Johnson has acknowledged, without admitting or denying the averments, that the following shall be adopted as the Secretary of State's Conclusion of Law:

- 1. Respondent Johnson violated Section 12.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953.
- 2. Respondent Johnson's registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois is subject to revocation effective February 1, 2010 pursuant to Section 8.E(1)(g) and 8.E(3) of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation, Respondent Johnson has acknowledged and agreed that her registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois shall be revoked.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duly authorized representative, has determined that the matter related to the aforesaid formal hearing may be dismissed without further proceedings.

NOW THEREFORE IT SHALL BE AND IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent Linda L. Johnson's registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois is **REVOKED**.
- 2. The formal hearing scheduled on this matter is hereby dismissed without further proceedings.

ENTERED: This 14 day of Splong 010

JESSE WHITE Secretary of State State of Illinois

Attorney for the Secretary of State: Lisa Michelle Kaplan Office of the Secretary of State Illinois Securities Department 69 West Washington, Suite 1220 Chicago, Illinois 60602 (312) 793-2960

NOTICE: Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be a violation of Section 12.D of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the Act). Any person or entity who fails to comply with the terms of this Order of the Secretary of State, having knowledge of the existence of this Order, shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.

This is a final order subject to administrative review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law, 735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq. And the Rules and Regulations of the Illinois Securities Act (14 III. Admin. Code, Ch. I, Sec. 130.1123). Any action for judicial review must be commenced within thirty-five (35) days from the date a copy of this Order is served upon the party seeking review.